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FROM:

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State Superintendent of Education

CC:

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DATE:

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RE:

Healthy Schools Act of 2010 (D.C. Law 18-209) FY11 Report

As required by Section 405 of the Healthy Schools Act of 2010 (HSA, D.C. Law 18-209), the Office of the State Superintendent of Education (OSSE) is pleased to report to the Mayor, the Council and the future Healthy Schools and Youth Commission on:

- (1) Compliance of public schools and public charter schools with the physical and health education requirements in the title; and
- (2) Student achievement with respect to the health and physical education standards.

In order to meet these requirements, OSSE has prepared the Healthy Schools Act of 2010 (HSA, D.C. Law 18-209) FY 11 Report. This Report details the implementation of the health education and physical education provisions of the HSA. Highlights include:

- 95.3% of all DC schools completed the 2010 School Health Profile, a tool used to collect HSA-specific data.
- On average, all schools that responded are meeting or exceeding the current grades K-8 health education (15 minutes/week) and physical education (K-5 30 minutes/week, 6-8 45 minutes/week) HSA time requirements.
- 82.5% of schools indicated health education is based on OSSE health education standards.
- 93.2% of schools indicated physical education is based on OSSE physical education standards.
- In 2012, the DC CAS will have a health education section, the first-ever standards-based assessment of its kind in the nation.

These and other topics are discussed in further detail in the Report.